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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1964

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PERSHORE

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on the state of the Public Health in the Rural District of Pershore for the year 1964 and the work carried out by your Health Department.

I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the kindness and consideration which you have shown to me since I started work in this District, and of thanking all the officers of the Council for their help and co-operation.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D.E. THOMPSON, O.B.E., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area in Acres - 58,029 (at 1951 Census 57,801, difference due to boundary changes.)

Registrar General's Estimate of resident population: (Census 1951 - 16,386)
(Census 1961 - 17,617)

Mid 1964 - 19,800
Mid 1963 - 18,840
Mid 1962 - 18,230

Number of inhabited houses:

End of 1964 - 6,379
End of 1963 - 6,056
End of 1962 - 5,863

Sum represented by a penny rate - £2,547
Rateable Value - 1st April, 1964 - £616,617

Industries of Area : The District is mainly agricultural. There has, over the years, been a steady influx of an industrial nature, namely carbon and light engineering.

Population and Acreage of Parishes:

Parish.	Acreage.	Population. 1951 Census.	1961 Census.
Abberton	999	72	67
Besford	1383	393	270
Birlingham	1272	318	269
Bishampton	1910	309	276
Bredicot	399	36	28
Bredon	3187	1028	1240
Bredon's Norton	1106	159	155
Bricklehampton	914	186	163
Broughton Hackett	386	146	136
Charlton	1619	464	401
Churchill	670	30	20
Comberton, Great	965	232	201
Comberton, Little	790	225	227
Cropthorne	1518	416	545
Defford	1691	466	479
Dormston	820	66	74
Drakes Broughton and Wadborough	3345	559	625
Eckington	2165	683	803
Elmley Castle	2062	310	310
Fladbury	1573	589	582
Flyford-Flavell	692	116	118
Grafton Flyford	1680	202	144
Hill and Moor	1368	445	455
Kington	1071	111	164
Naunton Beauchamp	1030	99	102
Netherton	737	55	41
North Piddle	797	110	110
Norton-juxta-Kempsey	1844	733	959
Peopleton	1539	249	265
Pershore	2797	3535	5181
Pinvin	1053	576	546
Pirton	1690	168	118
St. Peter the Great County, Worcester	441	95	82
Spetchley	1012	115	116
Stoulton	1959	404	423
Strensham	1970	152	181
Throckmorton	1522	976	152
Upton Snodsbury	1691	314	281
White Ladies Aston	1236	240	244
Whittington	1048	357	390
Wick	1676	311	381
Wyre Piddle	401	336	285
(3) TOTAL:	58029	16386	17617

VITAL STATISTICS.

(1963 figures in brackets)

POPULATION: (Estimated) 19,800 - 1964 (18,840)

LIVE BIRTHS:

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	152	(167)	159	(153)	311	(320)
Illegitimate	5	(13)	9	(10)	14	(23)
	157	(180)	168	(163)	325	(343)

BIRTH RATE: (Births per 1,000 Population)

	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	England/Wales 1964.
Crude	16.4	18.2	18.2	15.7	
Comparability Factor	1.10	1.10	1.02	1.05	18.4
Standardised	18.04	20.02	18.52	16.5	

Illegitimacy Rate: (Total live illegitimate births per 1,000 total live births)

1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.
43.1	67.0	57.1	53.2

STILL BIRTHS:

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	2	(2)	2	(1)	4	(3)
Illegitimate	-	(1)	-	(-)	-	(1)
	2	(3)	2	(1)	4	(4)

Still Birth Rate: (Still births per 1,000 total live and still births)

1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	England/Wales 1964.
12.2	11.5	9.06	24.9	16.3

DEATHS:

M.		F.		Total.	
90	(96)	110	(106)	200	(202)

Death Rate: (Deaths per 1,000 Population)

	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	England/Wales 1964.
Crude	10.11	10.74	10.91	12.3	
Comparability Factor	1.0	1.0	1.05	0.99	11.3
Standardised	10.11	10.74	11.5	12.2	

DEATHS BY AGE GROUPS:

Age Group.	M.		F.		Total.	
Under 1 year.	4	(5)	7	(4)	11	(9)
1 - 14 years.	-	(-)	4	(-)	4	(-)
15 - 24 years.	2	(3)	-	(1)	2	(4)
25 - 64 years.	26	(25)	23	(19)	49	(44)
65 years +	58	(63)	76	(82)	134	(145)
	90	(96)	110	(106)	200	(202)

MAJOR CAUSES OF DEATH:

	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.
1. Diseases of Circulatory System.	55%	56.9%	52.5%	55.2%
2. Malignant Disease (Total).	21%	13.9%	21.5%	17.6%
3. Respiratory Disease (excluding T.B.)	6%	10.9%	11.5%	12.7%
4. Cancer of Lungs.	3%	1.5%	5%	4.1%
5. Motor Vehicle Accidents.	5.5% (3.5%	3.5% (0.5%	3% (1.5%	4.1% (0.9%
6. All other Accidents.	2%	3%	1.5%	3.2%
7. Suicides.	Nil	0.99%	1.5%	0.5%
8. Influenza.	Nil	0.99%	1%	0.5%
9. Tuberculosis.	Nil	Nil	Nil	0.5%

CAUSES OF DEATHS IN THE PERSHORE RURAL DISTRICT, 1964. (1963 figures in brackets)

Cause of Death	M.	F.	Total.	Mortality rate per 1,000 pop.
1. Tuberculosis - respiratory.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
2. Tuberculosis - other.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
3. Syphilitic disease.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
4. Diphtheria.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
5. Whooping Cough.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
6. Meningococcal infections.	1 (-)	1 (-)	2 (-)	0.10
7. Acute Poliomyelitis.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
8. Measles.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
9. Other infective/parasitic diseases.	- (1)	- (1)	- (2)	-
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach.	3 (2)	2 (2)	5 (4)	0.21
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, bronchus.	5 (3)	1 (-)	6 (3)	0.30
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast.	- (-)	2 (5)	2 (5)	0.10
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus.	- (-)	1 (1)	1 (1)	0.05
14. Other malignant and Lymphatic neoplasms.	10 (11)	16 (3)	26 (14)	1.31
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia.	1 (-)	1 (1)	2 (1)	0.10
16. Diabetes.	- (1)	1 (1)	1 (2)	0.05
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.	11 (19)	17 (18)	28 (37)	1.41
18. Coronary disease - angina.	21 (17)	10 (15)	31 (32)	1.56
19. Hypertension with heart disease.	2 (2)	- (-)	2 (2)	0.10
20. Other heart disease.	8 (8)	19 (22)	27 (30)	1.36
21. Other circulatory disease.	7 (5)	15 (9)	22 (14)	1.11
22. Influenza.	- (-)	- (2)	- (2)	-
23. Pneumonia.	4 (4)	3 (4)	7 (8)	0.31
24. Bronchitis.	5 (7)	- (5)	5 (12)	0.21
25. Other diseases of respiratory system.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
26. Ulcer of Stomach and duodenum.	2 (-)	1 (2)	3 (2)	0.15
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea.	- (1)	- (-)	- (1)	-
28. Nephritis and neophrises.	- (2)	- (-)	- (2)	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostrate.	2 (-)	- (-)	2 (-)	0.10
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
31. Congenital malformation.	1 (1)	- (-)	1 (1)	0.05
32. Other defined and illdefined disease.	2 (8)	14 (12)	16 (20)	0.80
33. Motor Vehicle accidents.	5 (1)	2 (-)	7 (1)	0.31
34. All other accidents.	- (3)	4 (3)	4 (6)	0.20
35. Suicide.	- (1)	- (1)	- (2)	-
36. Homicide and operations of war.	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	-
TOTAL:	90 (96)	110 (106)	200 (202)	9.89

MATERNAL DEATHS: (Maternal deaths per 1,000 total live and still births.)

Maternal mortality:	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	England/Wales 1964.	
	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	(0.28)

INFANT DEATHS: (Infant deaths under 1 year of age)

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	2	(5)	7	(4)	9	(9)
Illegitimate	2	(1)	-	(-)	2	(-)
	4	(5)	7	(4)	11	(9)

NEONATAL DEATHS: (Under 4 weeks of age)

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	-	(2)	6	(3)	6	(5)
Illegitimate	1	(-)	-	(-)	1	(-)
	1	(2)	6	(3)	7	(5)

EARLY INFANT DEATHS: (Under 1 week)

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	-	(2)	6	(2)	6	(4)
Illegitimate	1	(-)	-	(-)	1	(-)
	1	(2)	6	(2)	7	(4)

PERINATAL DEATHS: (Still births and death of infants under 1 week)

	M.		F.		Total.	
Legitimate	2	(4)	8	(3)	10	(7)
Illegitimate	1	(1)	-	(-)	1	(1)
	3	(5)	8	(3)	11	(8)

INFANT, NEONATAL AND PERINATAL MORTALITY RATES: (Per 1,000 live births)

	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	England/Wales 1964.
Deaths of legitimate infants	27.7	26.2	15.1	28.0	
Deaths of illegitimate infants	6.2	2.9	Nil.	Nil.	
Infant Mortality rate (under 1 year)	33.8	26.2	15.1	28.0	20
Neonatal Mortality rate (under 4 weeks)	21.5	14.6	12.1	24.5	14
Perinatal Mortality rate (still births and deaths of infants under 1 week)	33.8	34.9	21.1	45.5	

CAUSES OF INFANTS DEATHS:

	1964.	1963.	1962.
Congenital Malformation	6	3	-
Prematurity	3	2	4
Broncho-pnuemonia	1	1	1
Encephalitis	-	1	-
Post-Operative	-	1	-
Precipitate Labour	-	-	-
Disordered Action of Heart	1	1	-
	11	9	5

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES.

a) Clinic and Treatment Services

Centre	Situation	Time of Holding
Bishampton.	Village Hall, Bishampton.	4th Tuesday, 2 - 4 p.m.
Bredon.	Village Hall, Bredon.	4th Friday, 2.30 p.m.
Eckington.	Village Hall, Eckington.	2nd Friday, 2.30 p.m.
Fladbury.	Parish Hall, Fladbury.	3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m.
Drakes Broughton.	Village Hall, Drakes Broughton.	2nd Monday, 2.30 p.m.
Pershore.	W.I. Hall, Priest Lane, Pershore.	1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 2.00 p.m.

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b) c) Health Visiting; Midwifery; Home Nursing

The County Council provided nurse/midwives who attended general nursing and midwifery cases in the home. These nurses also acted as Health Visitors in their districts. Parishes served by nurses as follows :

Nurses Stationed at :	Parishes Served :
White Ladies Aston: Tel.No. Spetchley 286.	Stoulton, Drakes Broughton, Norton, Wadborough, Whittington, White Ladies Aston, Spetchley, Bredicot.
Bishampton: Tel.No. Bishampton 208.	Abberton, Bishampton, Flyford-Flavell, North Piddle, Naunton Beauchamp, Peopleton.
Earl's Croome: TelNo. Upton-upon-Severn 138.	Strensham, Defford, Besford.
Eckington: Tel.No. Eckington 250.	Eckington, Bredon's Norton, Bredon's Hardwick, Bredon.
Little Comberton: Tel.No. Elmley Castle 221.	Elmley Castle, Netherton, Kersoe, Bricklehampton, Little Comberton, Great Comberton.
Pershore: Tel.No. Pershore 2164.	Pershore, Pinvin.
Pershore: Tel.No. Pershore 64.	Pershore, Wick, Pensham, Birlingham.
Kemerton: Tel.No. Overbury 212.	Kinsham, Westmancote.
Grafton Flyford: Tel.No. Himbleton 238.	Kington, Dormston, Upton Snodsbury, Libbery, Grafton Flyford, Broughton Hackett.
Fladbury: Tel.No. Cropthorne 403.	Cropthorne, Charlton, Lower Moor, Throckmorton, Wyre, Fladbury, R.R.E. Pinvin.

d) School Health Services:

Provided by the County Council.

e) Laboratory Facilities:

The County Council provided a laboratory for the chemical and bacteriological analysis of water, milk and other foods.

The Public Health Laboratory Service provided at the Royal Infirmary, Worcester, facilities for the bacteriological examination of specimens in connection with the diagnosis and prevention of spread of infectious disease.

f) Hospital Services:

Infectious Disease.	Newtown Hospital, Worcester.
	Hayley Green Hospital, Halesowen.
Tuberculosis.	Newtown Hospital, Worcester.
Maternity.	Avonside Hospital, Evesham. Ronkswood Hospital, Worcester.
Children's Diseases.	Worcester Royal Infirmary.
Venereal Disease.	Worcester Royal Infirmary.
General.	Pershore Cottage Hospital. Worcester Royal Infirmary. Tewkesbury Hospital. Cheltenham General Hospital.
Aged Sick.	Avonside Hospital, Evesham.

g) Diphtheria Immunisation and Smallpox Vaccination Services:

This was provided by the County Council. Locally it was administered by the Pershore Rural District Council.

h) Poliomyelitis Vaccination:

The County Council continued to provide poliomyelitis vaccination.

i) Ambulance Service:

This was provided by the County Council. One ambulance being stationed in Pershore.

j) Home and Domestic Help Service:

This was conducted through the agency of the W.V.S. for the County Council, producing a very valuable and efficient service.

WATER ANALYSES

SOURCE OF SUPPLY	CHLORINATED				UNCHLORINATED
	COVENTRY (Ex. R. Severn)	TEWKESBURY/OVERBURY MIXTURE	WORCESTER CITY (Ex. R. Severn)	OVERBURY (Land Springs)	BREDON (Land Springs)
Physical Characters					
Odour	Chlorine	None	None	None	None
Deposit	Nil	Brown	Slight	Slight	Nil
Ph.	8.2	7.8	7.7	7.9	8.2
Chemical Examination					
+ Solids in Suspension (Dried at 100°C)	Nil	Trace	Nil	Nil	Nil
+ Solids in Solution (Dried at 180°C)	330	250	260	250	270
+ Solids in Solution after ignition	290	210	225	225	240
+ Chlorine expressed as Chlorate	74	34	44	21	19
+ Hardness Non-carbonate	60	50	55	50	90
+ Hardness Carbonate	90	90	90	130	130
+ Hardness Total	150	140	145	180	220
+ Ammoniacal Nitrogen	0.01	0.01	0.01	Trace	0.02
+ Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.09	0.07	0.04	Trace	Trace
+ Nitrate Nitrogen	3.3	6.2	3.3	4.5	4.9
+ Nitrite Nitrogen	0.01	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
+ Oxygen Absorbed in 4 hours at 27°C	1.45	0.92	1.45	0.15	Nil
+ Toxic Metals	None detected	None detected	None detected	None detected	None detected
Bacteriological Examination					
Probable number of coliform bacilli, MacConkey 2 days 37°C per 100 m.l.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Probable number of faecal coli per 100 m.l. expressed in parts per million.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

WATER SUPPLY

PARISH	FROM PUBLIC MAINS		FROM PRIVATE SUPPLIES		SOURCE OF PUBLIC SUPPLY
	Number of Dwellings	Estimated Population	Number of Dwellings	Estimated Population	
1. Abberton	19	61	1	4	Ex Worcester City
2. Besford	45	220	3	15	Overbury/Tewkesbury
3. Birlingham	109	318	9	28	Overbury/Tewkesbury
4. Bishampton	146	424	5	18	Coventry
5. Bredicot	10	30	1	3	Ex Worcester City
6. Bredon	668	2360	2	10	Bredon Hill, Overbury, Tewkesbury
7. Bredon's Norton	65	184	4	19	Overbury/Tewkesbury
8. Bricklehampton	67	193	2	8	Coventry
9. Broughton Hackett	42	131	2	9	Worcester City
10. Charlton	133	393	6	26	Coventry
11. Churchill	10	30	0	0	Worcester City
12. Comberton, Great	75	226	4	13	Coventry
13. Comberton, Little	103	302	2	6	Coventry
14. Cropthorne	174	596	6	20	Coventry
15. Defford	162	482	3	12	Overbury/Tewkesbury
16. Dormston	33	88	4	12	Worcester City
17. Drakes Broughton and Wadborough	233	687	9	33	Worcester City
18. Eckington	260	777	20	64	Overbury/Tewkesbury
19. Elmley Castle	68	200	62	169	Coventry
20. Fladbury	218	650	6	24	Coventry
21. Flyford-Flavell	47	154	0	0	Worcester City
22. Grafton Flyford	50	147	1	9	Worcester City
23. Hill and Moor	169	504	4	24	Worcester City/Coventry

PARISH	FROM PUBLIC MAINS		FROM PRIVATE SUPPLIES		SOURCE OF PUBLIC SUPPLY
	Number of Dwellings	Estimated Population	Number of Dwellings	Estimated Population	
24. Kington	83	237	6	15	Worcester City
25. Naunton Beauchamp	46	127	1	6	Worcester City
26. Netherton	10	37	1	3	Coventry
27. North Piddle	37	94	2	8	Worcester City
28. Norton-juxta-Kempsey	228	761	7	31	Worcester City
29. Peopleton	105	306	1	6	Worcester City
30. Pershore	1652	4950	7	29	Overbury, Tewkesbury, Worcester, Coventry
31. Pinvin.	174	596	2	10	Worcester City
32. Pirton	37	25	4	15	Worcester City
33. St. Peter the Great County, Worcester	10	30	14	45	Worcester City
34. Spetchley	23	66	6	22	Worcester City
35. Stoulton	148	438	5	18	Worcester City
36. Strensham	46	93	6	25	Overbury/Tewkesbury
37. Throckmorton	37	290	0	0	Coventry
38. Upton Snodsbury	128	375	3	14	Worcester City
39. White Ladies Aston	82	237	7	32	Worcester City
40. Whittington	135	399	6	21	Worcester City
41. Wick	126	385	2	15	Coventry
42. Wyre Piddle	118	344	4	12	Coventry
TOTAL	6,139	18,947	240	853	

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

1. Sanitary Inspection of the Area:

A Summary of Sanitary Inspections is given in the statistics at the end of the Report.

2. Water Supply:

A total of 6,139 dwellings with an estimated population of 18,947 are supplied from the public mains. A small extension was carried out during the year bringing wholesome water within reach of a small group of houses which previously had to rely on rain water and polluted shallow wells.

Local springs on Bredon Hill are augmented by bulk supplies obtained from Cheltenham, Worcester and Coventry Corporations, all of whom extract from the River Severn.

There is no evidence of plumbo-solvency in the District.

Routine sampling of domestic supplies continued during the year, and the results are tabulated below :

SAMPLES TAKEN:

SOURCE SAMPLED	RESULT			
	Bacteriological		Chemical	
	Satisfactory	Unsatis-factory	Satisfactory	Unsatis-factory
PUBLIC SUPPLIES				
Overbury/Westmancote Supply	28	2	-	-
Other Mains Samples	12	5	2	-
PRIVATE SUPPLIES				
Elmley Castle Village Supply	12	2	-	-
Wells and other Private Supplies	1	5	-	-

N.B. The unsatisfactory bacteriological results recorded against Public Supplies were obtained on raw water prior to chlorination and new lengths of main prior to coming into service.

It will be noted that of the few remaining private supplies only one was satisfactory, bacteriologically, and this was a spring water.

The water supply to a childrens paddling pool was found to be heavily contaminated, and in order to improve matters was disconnected and arrangements made for a supply to be afforded from the public mains.

Seven Chemical Analyses were carried out on waters suspect for reasons varying from possible burst mains, to complaints of taste or deposits.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Sewers and Sewage Disposal Works are provided and maintained throughout the District as follows :

Bishampton	Sewage pumped to upward-flow sedimentation tank; settled effluent passing percolating filter and humus tank before discharged to stream.
Bredon	Village sewered on 'combined' system. Sewage received primary settlement and effluent is then discharged by feed channels for land treatment.
Broughton Hackett	Small gravity works, with settlement tank, filter and humus tank.
Cropthorne	Crude sewage pumped to upward-flow sedimentation tank; settled effluent passing through percolating filter and humus tank before being discharged to river.
Defford	Gravity works with settlement and filtration.
Drakes Broughton	Settled effluent pumped for filtration, followed by settlement of humus.
Eckington	Partially separate system. Sewage pumped to horizontal-flow sedimentation tanks, settled effluent gravitating to percolating filters, followed by settlement of humus.
Kington	Settled effluent pumped to percolating filter, followed by humus settlement.
Little Comberton	Sewage pumped to upward-flow sedimentation tank, settled effluent passing through percolating filter and humus tank.
Littleworth	Small treatment plant with crude sewage pumped to sedimentation tank, followed by filtration and settlement of humus.
Lower Moor	Sewage pumped to upward-flow sedimentation tank, settled effluent passing through percolating filter and humus tank.
Sneachill	Small gravity works, with settlement tank, filter and humus tank.
Upton Snodsbury	Settled effluent pumped to percolating filter, followed by settlement of humus.
Whittington	Gravity works with storm overflow, settling tank and filter.

Pershore and District Sewerage Scheme

This scheme has now been completed, and provides main drainage facilities for the parishes of Pershore, Pinvin, Wick and Wyre Piddle. Sewage from these parishes is delivered to a main Pumping Station at Defford Road, Pershore, and is then pumped to a Sewage Disposal Works at Tiddesley Wood, where it is passed for treatment through upward-flow sedimentation tanks, bacteria beds and humus tanks.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Refuse Collection and disposal was carried out throughout the District under the direction of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department. Fortnightly collections were given throughout the country districts and weekly collections in the Town of Pershore and at Strensham Service Area. Three refuse collection vehicles were in use during the year.

The contract for refuse collection was also continued with the R.R.E., Pershore.

Paper continued to be salvaged during the year, the revenue amounting to £188.13.9d., compared with £371.0.0d. during 1963. Scrap metal and other materials were also recovered.

SUMMARY OF SANITARY INSPECTIONS DURING THE YEAR (OTHER THAN HOUSING).

Number of premises visited	843
Defects or nuisance found	38
Defects or nuisance abated	34
Number of informal Notices served	21
Number of Statutory Notices served	13
New drainage to sewers	54
New drainage to septic tanks	31
Drain tested	85
Number of insanitary lavatories, sinks and urinals dealt with	-
Number of Factories inspected	35

SECTION D.

H O U S I N G.

Housing Position at end of 1964.

	1964.	1963.
Estimated Population	19,800	18,840
Units of Accommodation	6,379	6,056
Number of dwellings built by Council	6	10
Total number of Council houses built post-war	1,147	1,141
Estimated number of caravan dwellings	47	46
Number of Council House applicants	417	406
Number of persons per unit of accommodation	3.0	3.0

HOUSING STATISTICS.

Number of new houses erected during the year:

a)	by Local Authority	6
b)	by other Local Authorities	-
c)	by other bodies or persons	329

Inspection of dwelling houses during the year:

1. Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health/Housing Acts).	49
2. Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for habitation. (Includes Central Area of Pershore).	25
3. Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of these referred to under the preceeding sub-headings) found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation.	24

Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices:

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action.	13

Action under Statutory Powers during the year:

Proceedings under the Public Health Acts:

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served required defects to be remedied.	13
Section 9, Housing Act, 1957.	Nil

SLUM CLEARANCE.

Proceedings under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957:

1. Number of houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	14
2. Closing Orders in lieu of Demolition Orders	7
3. Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	5
4. Undertakings not to re-let	4

Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1957:

Number of Closing Orders in respect of parts of buildings	Nil

During the year 12 Slum Clearance cases were re-housed, making a total of 186 since the Slum Clearance Programme was started.

SLUM CLEARANCE STATISTICS: (since 1957)

Properties represented	327
Properties demolished	150
Properties closed	98
Properties reconstructed	49

NEW HOUSING.

The Council have built 6 new houses and 329 have been built privately.

Total Post-War Development.

Local Authority Development	1,147
Private Development	1,288
Total Houses owned by Local Authority	1,641

Applicants re-housed in Permanent Dwellings:

		New Dwellings.	Re-let.	Total.
Pershore	(Bungalows)		3	3
	(Flats)		1	1
	(Houses)		25	25
Bishampton			1	1
Bredon			3	3
Cropthorne			2	2
Elmley Castle			1	1
Fladbury	(Flats)		1	1
	(Houses)		2	2
Kinsham			1	1
Lower Moor	(Flats)		1	1
Pinvin			1	1
Upton Snodsbury	(Bungalows)	6	-	6
	(Houses)		1	1
Westmancote			1	1
		6	44	50

Exchange of Tenancies.

5 Exchanges of tenancies involving 10 families		10	10
Transfers of tenancies		22	22
Re-lets of temporary accommodation		-	-
	6	76	82

Overcrowding.

Number of cases of overcrowding relieved 16

Slum Clearance Cases.

Number of Slum Clearance cases rehoused by Local Authority 12

Number of Applicants for Housing Accommodation at 31st December, 1964.

Number of applicants with separate accommodation	282
Number of applicants sharing accommodation or occupying temporary accommodation	80
Number of applicants at present living outside the district	55
Total number of applicants	417

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS:

28 Applications have been approved during the year, involving a total of 42 dwellings.

HOUSING ACT, 1949 (as amended)
Improvement Grants approved to 31st December, 1964.

PARISH	No. of Applications Approved	No. of Dwellings Involved	Owner/ Occupied	Other
1. Abberton	2	2	2	-
2. Besford	5	6	1	5
3. Birlingham	7	11	1	10
4. Bishampton	8	9	7	2
5. Bredicot	2	2	2	-
6. Bredon	34	44	27	17
7. Bredon's Norton	8	11	5	6
8. Bricklehampton	6	8	1	7
9. Broughton Hackett	7	9	4	5
10. Charlton	21	47	6	41
11. Churchill	1	1	-	1
12. Comberton, Great	4	5	1	4
13. Comberton, Little	4	4	2	2
14. Cropthorne	15	17	8	9
15. Defford	10	10	8	2
16. Dormston	3	3	3	-
17. Drakes Broughton/Wadborough	15	21	4	17
18. Eckington	17	18	15	3
19. Elmley Castle	6	6	4	2
20. Fladbury	15	22	8	14
21. Flyford-Flavell	5	5	5	-
22. Grafton Flyford	4	5	2	3
23. Hill and Moor	19	27	10	17
24. Kington	2	2	2	-
25. Naunton Beauchamp	4	5	1	4
26. Netherton	-	-	-	-
27. North Piddle	2	2	2	-
28. Norton-juxta-Kempsey	17	21	15	6
29. Peopleton	12	18	3	15
30. Pershore	47	62	25	37
31. Pinvin	14	16	10	6
32. Pirton	5	6	1	5
33. St. Peter the Great County	3	4	1	3
34. Spetchley	4	5	1	4
35. Stoulton	13	21	5	16
36. Strensham	4	5	-	5
37. Throckmorton	5	13	1	12
38. Upton Snodsbury	8	10	6	4
39. White Ladies Aston	8	10	4	6
40. Whittington	5	6	4	2
41. Wick	13	18	4	14
42. Wyre Piddle	5	5	4	1
TOTALS:	389	522	215	307

STANDARD GRANTS:

14 Applications have been approved during the year, involving a total of 14 dwellings.

HOUSING ACT, 1949 (as amended)
Improvement Grants approved to 31st December, 1964.

PARISH	No. of Applications Approved	No. of Dwellings Involved	Owner/ Occupied	Other
1. Abberton	-	-	-	-
2. Besford	-	-	-	-
3. Birlingham	1	1	-	1
4. Bishampton	3	3	2	1
5. Bredicot	-	-	-	-
6. Bredon	11	13	5	8
7. Bredon's Norton	1	1	1	-
8. Bricklehampton	-	-	-	-
9. Broughton Hackett	2	2	1	1
10. Charlton	2	2	1	1
11. Churchill	-	-	-	-
12. Comberton, Great	1	1	-	1
13. Comberton, Little	2	2	1	1
14. Cropthorne	5	5	3	2
15. Defford	6	6	3	3
16. Dormston	-	-	-	-
17. Drakes Broughton/Wadborough	4	4	2	2
18. Eckington	8	8	5	3
19. Elmley Castle	3	3	3	-
20. Fladbury	2	2	1	1
21. Flyford-Flavell	3	3	3	-
22. Grafton Flyford	3	3	2	1
23. Hill and Moor	2	2	1	1
24. Kington	1	1	1	-
25. Naunton Beauchamp	2	2	1	1
26. Netherton	-	-	-	-
27. North Piddle	2	2	2	-
28. Norton-juxta-Kempsey	5	5	5	-
29. Peopleton	-	-	-	-
30. Pershore	9	9	8	1
31. Pinvin	3	3	3	-
32. Pirton	1	1	-	1
33. St. Peter the Great County	-	-	-	-
34. Spetchley	-	-	-	-
35. Stoulton	1	1	1	-
36. Strensham	-	-	-	-
37. Throckmorton	-	-	-	-
38. Upton Snodsbury	1	1	1	-
39. White Ladies Aston	2	2	2	-
40. Whittington	3	3	2	1
41. Wick	2	2	2	-
42. Wyre Piddle	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	91	93	62	31

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Routine inspections of food premises were continued during the year, and every effort was made to ensure the clean and safe handling of food-stuffs.

There are the following food premises in the district :

Bakers and Confectioners	9
Butchers	9
Easter Egg and Novelty Manufacturers	1
Cafe's	11
Fried Fish Shops	2
Fish Shops (Wet)	3
Greengrocery	12
Grocers	45
Wholesale Grocers	1
Licenced Premises	63

Food premises are inspected regularly, and improvements were effected in a number of cases by informal action.

FOOD POISONING : No cases were notified during the year.

CONDEMNATIONS

During the year Certificates were issued in respect of the following :

Meat at Slaughterhouses	1,053 lbs.
Meat at Retail Shops	2,200 lbs.
Cooked Meat and Meat Products	141 lbs.
Canned Meats	58 lbs.
Fish	103 lbs.
Fruit and Vegetables	1,557 lbs.
Other Foods	42 lbs.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES ACT, 1958.

There are two slaughterhouses operating in the District, one in Pershore and one in Eckington. Both the slaughterhouses have been operated in a satisfactory manner, and have complied with the requirements of the Divisional Veterinary Officers of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the statutory annual inspection.

MEAT INSPECTION: The following animals were slaughtered and inspected.

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	540	-	-	1865	535	-
Number inspected	540	-	-	1865	535	-
All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis.						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	1	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	95	-	-	75	35	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than T.B. and Cysticercosis	8.5	-	-	4.1	6.7	-
Tuberculosis Only.						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	1	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with T.B.	-	-	-	-	0.19	-
Cysticercosis.						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

Notifiable Diseases, 1964.

DISEASE	Corrected Notification	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths
Smallpox	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-
Measles	179	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-
Paratyphoid	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	1	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	-	-	-
Polio-Encephalitis	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-
Puerpral Pyrexia Ophthalmia Neonatorium	1	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-
TOTAL:	183	-	-

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children immunised during the year was as follows :

	Children born in years :							
	1964.	1963.	1962.	1961.	1960.	1955/59.	1950/54.	TOTAL.
a)Number of children who completed a full course of primary immunisation.	117	175	15	1	-	4	1	313
b)Number of children who received a secondary (re-inforcing) injection.	-	12	18	6	6	192	1	235
c)Number of children who received second re-inforcing injections.	-	-	-	-	-	75	-	75

SMALLPOX: No cases of smallpox were reported

Number of persons vaccinated (or re-vaccinated) during 1964 :

Age at date of Vaccination	Under 1	1	2-4	5-14	15 and over	TOTAL
No. vaccinated	43	73	4	9	18	147 (67)
No. re-vaccinated	-	-	-	-	-	- (37)
No. vaccinated at CLINICS	5	42	2	2	1	52 (6)
No. re-vaccinated at CLINICS	-	-	-	-	-	- (-)

TUBERCULOSIS:

Sex and age of new cases and deaths during 1964 :

A G E	N E W C A S E S				D E A T H S			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

CASES IN REGISTER AT 31st DECEMBER, 1964.

Type	M.	F.	TOTAL
Pulmonary	18	14	32
Non-pulmonary	4	1	5
TOTALS	22	15	37

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

1. INSPECTION FOR PURPOSES OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH:

PREMISES	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Owner Prosecuted
1. Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority.	1	1	-	-
2. Factories not included in 1. in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	70	34	-	-
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworker's premises).	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	71	35	-	-

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND:

PARTICULARS	Found	Remedied	REFERRED		No. of cases in which prosecution were instituted
			to H.M. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness	5	5	-	2	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
a) Insufficient	2	2	-	-	-
b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to Outworkers).	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	7	7	-	2	-

OUTWORK IN UNWHOLESOME PREMISES: SECTION 110 AND 111.

There were no instances of this during the year.

RODENT CONTROL.

No. of private premises inspected	1412
No. of private premises found to be infested and treated	737
No. of Local Authority premises inspected	32
No. of Local Authority premises found to be infested and treated	19
No. of Business premises inspected	177
No. of Business premises found to be infested and treated	80
No. of Agricultural premises inspected	369
No. of Agricultural premises found to be infested and treated (includes treatments under Contracts with Council)	378
No. of complaints received	232

The Council have made 45 Contracts for Rodent Control with a value of £394.10.0d.